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Dear Josh:

During a visit to our laboratories several months ago, Bernard Davis mentioned the fact that you had developed a method of preserving bacterial cultures using silica gel, which appears to be much more convenient than the usual method of freeze-drying.

We would appreciate any information you could give us concerning the details of your method and experiences relating to the probable life of the preserved cultures.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

*Ray*

R. R. Roepke  
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